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Morningside B Neighborhood Roadway Improvements

Dear Resident:

Private Utility Reconstruction Schedule

- Gas (CenterPoint Energy) Update
 - Most of CenterPoint Energy's subcontractor's work will be complete next week. They have crews currently working on replacing concrete sidewalk panels that were removed to perform gas main and service upgrades. Please note: later, we will look at the remaining sidewalk to do our own panel replacement as planned as part of the contract with Northwest Asphalt, Inc.

Project Schedule:

Today, crews will begin roadway surface pavement reclamation in parts of the neighborhood. This is the process of grinding the pavement to produce a gravel product that will be used as a recycled gravel base in the new roadbed. Crews will follow the grinding machine to shape and compact the gravel in place. The roadway will be open during the reclamation processes, with isolated closures in areas where crews are working. Please use caution when driving through these areas. On-street parking will be restricted for the day while crews reclaim as they need grind up the entire roadway.

On Monday, on-street parking during reconstruction will not be allowed in areas where crews are working. This will keep the roadway open for construction traffic and emergency vehicles. Please inform your private contractors and guests of this parking restriction. Crews will post "No Parking" signs in advance in areas where they will be working.

On Monday, crews from Northwest Asphalt's Utility Division will continue working on utility improvements in the neighborhood. They will work on Morningside Road between France and Grimes avenues making repairs to the water main. Work to repair the water main will be isolated to a few locations in the roadway. To complete this work, water to your home may need to be shut off. If the shut-off affects you, the contractor will notify you a day in advance by hanging an orange notice on your front door with the anticipated shut-off time and duration.

Crews will work to get the water system turned back on as soon as possible. Due to the placement of the old valves in the neighborhood, the contractor may need to shut off your water multiple times. You will be notified accordingly if this is the case. We will make every effort to limit the number of times the water is shut off.

Water main work and hydrant replacements may cause rust-colored water to come out of your faucets. This is normal and the water is still safe to drink, though you should wait until the water is clear again before doing a load of laundry. Flush all your faucets at the same time to remove the reddish color, beginning with a laundry or utility sink.

If crews need to dig the street in front of your home to fix a utility, a notice placed on your front door will notify you in advance. Crews will check with you to make sure you have moved any vehicles you need out of your driveway before they dig the next morning. Once crews finish work on Morningside Road, they will move to one of the other streets in the project area to work on water main repairs. Please watch your front doors daily for notices as this will be the primary way crews will communicate with you in a timely manner.

Crews from Northwest Asphalt, Inc. will soon begin installing a temporary water main pipe and service line to your home. The pipe will temporarily supply water to the homes while crews complete upcoming water main repairs. The contractor may need to enter these homes to operate the water shut-off valve in the basement. Crews will use a doorknob hanger or knock on your door, on a case-by-case basis, to notify affected homes. Please be careful when cutting grass near the temporary water service pipe. If applicable, please pass this warning along to your lawn service.

While being provided water from the temporary water main, you may notice your tap water is warmer than usual. This is normal and is caused by the water main being above ground and subject to air temperatures, rather than underground.

The City of Edina and Northwest Asphalt thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation throughout the project.

Regards,
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